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Fell by the Wayside.

A sad death was that of George Enos, in Watertown, N. Y. Far away from home and friends, made the easy prey of thieving rascals, approaching nearer and nearer the home of his childhood where he fain would lay down the burden of life and close his eyes in peace, he was thwarted by grim Death just when his last earthly wish seemed likely to be fulfilled. Hope, they say, buoyed up the heart and prolongs life when all vitality seems to be expended, but who can conceive of the vain longings, the agonizing despair of this poor traveller who fell by the way side. Surrounded only by pitying strangers, in the unsympathetic atmosphere of a public hotel, George Enos ended a life made weary and sad by sickness and despair.

The Garfield Memorial.

The Garfield Memorial committee, representing the Faculty of the National Deaf-Mute College, announces in this issue the date of the unveiling ceremonies, which will occur on the 16th of May. Mr. Robert Patterson, who has been selected to make an address in behalf of the Alumni, is one of the most distinguished graduates that the College has produced. He needs not the eulogy of a friendly pen to proclaim his merits, being widely known among deaf-mutes as a scholar and a gentleman. The committee in this case have made a wise choice. Concerning the representative of the deaf in general, we will speak not. The selection has been made, and he will do his best to merit the honor bestowed. We are informed that, up to last week, the uncertainty as to when the bust would arrive, prevented the committee from making any announcement.

Fever at the Belleville Institution.

ANOTHER outbreak of typhoid fever at the Belleville Institution is reported. A few weeks ago, it being discovered that the water used for drinking was impure, it was decided to close the school until a sufficient supply of pure water could be obtained. This was to be procured by means of artesian wells. Whether or not the programme of procedure was carried out we do not know, but recent reports state that another epidemic is doing its dreadful work, and that no less than nine pupils are down with the disease.

The Deaf-Mute Pelican, printed by the pupils of the Louisiana Institution, at Baton Rouge, comes to us with Vol. VII. on the date line of the first page. If this is really its seventh year, it has observed all of a deaf-mute's and more than a Pelican's reputation for silence. The Pelican is about the same size and shape as the Maryland Bulletin, and is issued monthly, the subscription price being 50 cents per annum. As is stated editorially, the prime object is to teach those pupils who are capable the art of printing. Such being the case, we know it will not be misconstrued as fault-finding should we suggest that double rules are invariably placed with the dark line uppermost, and that plain type well balanced makes a far better display and is more appropriate for newspaper work.

We return thanks to Mr. Marcus H. Kerr for a fine panel photograph of himself and his studio. Mr. Kerr is one of the leading deaf-mute artists in America, and his work has received flattering encomiums from the local press of Detroit and Jackson, Mich. His studio in Detroit is large and handsome, and is littered with such works of art and bric-a-brac as all true artists delight to surround themselves with.

ITEMIZER.

The idea is to gather into this column items that relate to deaf-mutes personally, or to associations of deaf-mutes, or to institutions for the benefit of deaf-mutes. We hope our friends and readers will keep us supplied with items for this column. Mark items to be sent: The Itemizer.

J. W. Redmond, who has resided in New York City for many years, moved this week with his family to Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Harry A. Germer is working at his trade as a shoemaker with William Ackerman of Flint. He has held his place since last December.

Jacob Staffinger, of Buffalo, N. Y., once a student at the Home School, is contemplating a visit to Alden, N. Y., on May 6th.

Andrew Hath, of Rochester, Pa., who has been ill with typhoid fever for some time, is convalescing rapidly, and hopes to soon resume work at the printing business.

It is rumored that Pat Connolly, of Beaver Falls, Pa., will soon take up himself a wife. The prospective bride is a fine and accomplished catholic maid lady.

It is reported that Mrs. Jas. S. Wells, formerly of New York City, but now living in Baltimore, is dangerously ill. It is feared that she cannot recover.

George Witschler, who is well-known to New York deaf-mutes, had his foot crushed by the care at Hamburg, N. Y., a little over a week ago. About half of the foot was amputated.

Bishop McLaren held confirmation in St. John's Church on Sunday evening, April 15th, and confirmed a class of thirty persons, one being a deaf-mute, and a member at Rev. Mr. Mann's congregation.

The mother of Michael Cusick has sent him to the Sisters of Mercy School in Woonsocket, instead of sending him to the deaf school in Providence, R. I.

Mr. Jacob Knox is still at Garden City, Long Island. He is gaining slowly but surely in health, and his doctor says by fall he will be able to resume business.

Mrs. Whipple Follett had a relapse last week, but is comfortable at last report. It is not out of place to say that she is in receipt of many letters which remain unopened.

A well-known mute of New England will be ranked among the noble army of Benedict or martyrs very soon. His name and that of his lady are withheld for the present.

The Sun of Sunday last, contained the following advertisement:—Wanted—Situation by deaf-mute as blacksmith's helper; will work for reasonable wages; he understands the business. 192 Greenpoint Avenue, Brooklyn.

Austin T. Fish, of Keene, N. H., walked from Keene, N. H., to Drabtown, Vt., a distance of thirty miles, on the Ashuelot Railroad. It was a very foolish and dangerous performance. He and Albert W. Chapman work in a furniture mill in Keene, N. H.

Deafness is often radically cured by putting sharks-oil or glycerine into the ears for a few minutes. It causes the ear to discharge, and thereby relieves them of the wax inside, that hardens there, and is one of the principal causes of deafness. It is perfectly harmless.

We learn from a friend that the father of Miss Mary E. Wilbur, of Little Compton, R. I., died on his eightieth birthday anniversary, some time ago. She was given a home and considerable money. Her uncle, who was proprietor of the Wilbur House, one of the most popular in Fall River, Mass., died quite recently. Many New England readers of the JOURNAL sympathize with her.

Morrison Head, the deaf-blind poet of Kentucky, is a student in New Orleans people by defeating the most skillful chess players. He has a board on which the men fit into sockets, and with his hands he feels of the field, watching the movements of the enemy, forming combinations against him, analyzing the most intricate situations, and coming off victorious most of the time.—New York Sun.

John F. Donnelly, of Woonsocket, R. I., sends us a sample copy of the Woonsocket Evening Reporter, on which both he and his brother Joseph are employed as correspondents. John is a first-class reporter, and the abilities of Joseph are judged from his last week's record—49,000 ems. Both imbued their knowledge of the rudiments of the "art pre-ervative" in the printing office of the New York Institution.

Death of a Principal.

Madame Victorine Boudier, Principal of the St. Joseph Institution in Brooklyn, N. Y., died of pneumonia about two weeks ago.

Won't Somebody Kick Him?

A great, big, healthy deaf-mute (?) is in the city selling little red cards bearing the deaf-mute signs, at ten cents apiece, or one hundred dollars per thousand. To judge from appearances, he is a very successful gongster and the public generally a patient victim. There are few genuine deaf-mutes who make peddling and gonging a business, most of them earn a living by toil, eating their bread in the perspiration of their noble brows; and there are fewer still who meet with much success at the former business, but the one under consideration is one of the former still.—Daily (Ill.) Morning Bulletin. [He is supposed to be Frank Doherty, of Mobile, Ala.]

A Peaceful Revolution.

Mrs. Williams, the female Pottolozzi, who has brought up in her ladies' boarding school, no less than 1,500 girls to mature and intelligent womanhood, has at last completed a reading machine on which she had been working over forty years. She had a book printed in perforated letters, the pages being in continuous strips of paper, which are rolled over iron (or wooden) cylinders, and then passed through the perforations, and producing the sound of the human voice—silver-tongued, clear and distinct.

Much comment has been excited by this invention. A prominent patent lawyer says that the government can not grant the patent, because of the similarity of the apparatus to an older musical toy, made about a hundred years ago, which worked upon much the same principle. In view, however, of the immense advantages afforded by this automatic reader, which will soon do away with all eye reading, and thus prove a boon to mankind, it is to be taken for granted that the government will issue the papers applied for.

It is generally understood that type-printed books will hereafter be serviceable for the deaf and dumb people, who cannot hear the sounds of the new reading apparatus.—The Arrows.

DIED.

DIXON.—On Saturday, April 21st, James Dimond, a graduate of the New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes. After the funeral service at the residence of his parents, 17 King St., on Tuesday, April 24th, the body was taken to Greenwood Cemetery for interment.

Edmund W. Stone, of Araby, Md., has been suffering with rheumatism for some time.

Miss Carrie Bischof would like to hear from her friend Mrs. Carrie Sautter (nee Miss C. S. Sautter) through the JOURNAL, or by letter. Her address is Carrie Bischof, Crawfordville, Ind., Care Lou Bischof.

Lizzie Douglass, of Gardner, Mass., would like to have her friend, Annie Larrabee, of Winchendon, Mass., spend Decoration Day (or any other day convenient) with her. Will you, Annie?

A subscriber says: "I was pleased to notice that Mr. D. W. George had been his own cook, while his wife was away. A certain mute should follow his good example. He will please take the hint."

Another outbreak of typhoid fever has occurred at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Belleville, Out. Nine pupils are prostrated with the disease. The institution will be closed for a thorough sanitary overhauling.

The two daughters, Mary Ann and Jennie Lancer, aged ten and eight years respectively, of Mr. and Mrs. John Lancer, of Bergen, N. Y., both died of diphtheria, the former on February 15th, and the latter on the 24th of April. Mrs. Lancer feels the loss very deeply.

Miss Sarah I. Seal, of Beaver Springs, is visiting Mr. Geo. B. Bowers, of Millersburg, Pa. Mr. Bowers was her schoolmate at the Philadelphia Institution for four years. She will learn the military drill at Beaverstown. That she will be successful, is the wish of a friend.

W. Prigge emigrated to Fall River, Mass., from Rhode Island, to work in a mill. He told the mutes of that city that he would be authorized to collect money for the Providence Society. It should be remembered that there is no society in Providence, and he ought to be ashamed of telling a falsehood.

The members and their friends of the Lowell Silent Society gave a surprise party to Mr. P. I. Wright, at his home on April 4th. He was presented with a Bible and a pair of gold-mounted spectacles. A most enjoyable time was spent. Mr. Frank Biddgett, of Nashua, was in attendance. The company retired exceedingly glad that Mr. I. N. Super was not present.

ALL OF A KIND.

The poet laureate of the Wisconsin Times soliloquizes thusly:—

As we look through our exchange, And their contents do peruse, Who can tell how oft we wonder, If in them we find the news.

As our eyes glance o'er their pages Scanning all that in them is, They fall upon a goodly item, In the bright-faced Vis-a-Vis.

There's the Record and the Mirror And the Tablet and the Star, These do tell of deaf-mute doings In the States both near and far.

Then we take the New York Journal With its columns twenty-eight— This mammoth deaf-mute paper Published in the Empire State.

The Index and the Ranger and the Nebraska Journal Each receive an equal chance; Then we glance o'er the clippings In the Illinois Advance.

In Minnesota a Companion, In Tennessee the gentle Observer, The Kentucky Deaf-Mute and Goodson Gazette Are all perused with equal fervor.

The Hawk-eye we prize quite highly; The Bulletin and the Progress have our care, While at ever-present Optic We never fail to fondly stare.

When thro' this large mute family We have cast our restless eye, Till another six days' work is done, We sadly say, "Good-bye!"

NOTICES.

Letters have been written to me applying for employment in this city and West. I regret to say they were not answered, for no postage stamps were enclosed for replies. I have no positive influence whatever among business and manufacturing establishments in this city.

Those who are anxious to obtain work in this city, had better come themselves, if they could, and find what may give them satisfaction.

LARS M. LARSON.

Rev. Dr. Galland expects to conduct services for deaf-mutes in Grace Chapel, Baltimore, next Sunday, at 3 P.M., and in the vestry-room of the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, on Tuesday, May 1st, at 8 P.M.

DIED.

April 10, 1883, in Cedar Falls, after a lingering illness, Mr. Charles Holmes, aged 76 years, 9 months and 14 days. He was the same place, April 6th, of enlargement of the heart, Mrs. Charles C. Holmes, wife of the above, aged 72 years, 7 months and 12 days.

Thus nearly at the same time, this aged couple who had journeyed hand in hand more than fifty years, have passed together into the great beyond. Lovely and pleasant in their lives, in death they were not divided.

Mr. Holmes was a native of Reading, Vt. On the 31st of March 1833, he was married to Miss Charissa Clark Udall, of Hartford, Vt., and settled in Ohio, but after some two years, returned to Vermont. In 1845 they removed to Whiteside County, Illinois, and lived there more than a quarter of a century. They became residents of Cedar Falls, Iowa, in Oct. 1880. Their intelligence, uprightness, and many virtuous and social qualities, won the respect of all and the warm attachment of many of our citizens. Mr. Holmes was stricken with partial paralysis April 5th, 1882, and was a sufferer until the day of his death.

Mrs. Holmes had been in feeble health for years, and was under a continuous mental and physical strain from her husband's illness, and after two weeks' severe sickness, died with enlargement of the heart. Both died in the triumph of the Christian faith.

Mrs. H. was a most worthy member of the Congregational Church, and possessed a truly superior christian character. The funeral services of both were held at the house of the deceased, on Wednesday, at 2 P.M. Rev. C. Gibbs officiating, assisted by Rev. Mack. A large circle of relatives mourn their loss, of whom were present, Dr. Holmes and wife, of Nebraska City; Mrs. Stowell, of Nebraska; a daughter, Mr. Edward Holmes and wife (deaf-mutes), and Miss Julia Udall.—Gazette, Cedar Falls, Ia., April 13.

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GARFIELD MEMORIAL.

NATIONAL DEAF-MUTE COLLEGE, KENDALL GREEN, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20, '83.

The ceremonies attending the unveiling of the bust of President Garfield, placed by the contributions of the deaf people of the land and their friends in the Chapel Hall of this Institution, will take place at three o'clock on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 16th day of May next. The exercises will be in conjunction with those of the College Anniversary—Presentation Day.

The Faculty of the College take pleasure in announcing that Mr. Robert Patterson, of Columbus, Ohio, a member of the College Class of 1870, will deliver an address in behalf of the Alumni of the college, and Mr. E. A. Hodgson, Editor of the DEAF-MUTES JOURNAL, New York City, will speak as the representative of the deaf people generally.

The Faculty cordially invite all those contributors to the Fund, who can find it convenient to do so, to be present at the ceremonies.

JNO. B. HOTCHKISS.

A. G. PRAGER.

College Chronicle.

NOTICES BY THE WAY.

Third term opened on Monday morning.

Seniors' vacation commences tomorrow and continues for two weeks. The Kendalls play the Columbian University nine next Wednesday afternoon.

Ground for two new dwelling houses is being broken on Faculty Row.

The gardener and his assistants are busy with the flower plots that dot the college grounds.

Not so fast, D. W. G. We have some doubt if your boys would have such an easy time with the Kendall nine.

President Porter, of Yale College, the orator of the Henry Statue unveiling ceremonies, was at the college on Thursday, the guest of Prof. Porter.

Mr. Allabough, '84, has been appointed Marshall for Presentation Day. His staff are Messrs. Veditz, Palmer and Haas, of '84, and Hasenstab, Davis and Morrow, of '85.

A number of the students attended a gymnastic exhibition given by the Young Men's Christian Association, on Wednesday evening. The invitations were through Mr. Wright.

The students returned from their camps in time for recitations on Tuesday morning. All appear to have had a good time and no accidents were reported.

The base ball nine go to Annapolis, Md., on May 6th, to play a match game with the ends of the United States Naval Academy. A good game is expected.

The following contributions to the base ball uniform fund are acknowledged by the Committee:

G. W. Wood, Dorchester, Mass., \$3
E. L. Chaplin, Haverhill, W. Va., \$3
J. Wagner, Washington, D. C., \$2

The students have also contributed liberally, and the uniforms have been ordered.

A large number of the members of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Baltimore, visited the College on Thursday morning, and were shown through the grounds and buildings. They seemed greatly interested in the gymnasium, the majority of them being expert gymnasts.

Information having been received that the Garfield Bust can not possibly reach Washington from Italy before May 10th, it has been voted to postpone the Presentation Day exercises to May 16th.

The uniforms which have been ordered for the Kendall Base Ball Nine will consist of gray caps, white shirts, gray knee breeches and buff and blue stockings. They will probably appear in their new dress early in May.

LESTER MONTROSE.

April 23, 1883.

The "Mystic Language."

There was an advertisement in Nos. 9 to 22 of the New York Bessies' Weekly, a story paper, which said that the "Mystic Language," invented in Spain two centuries ago, was a great secret which could be learned inside of an hour without the aid of a teacher, by sending thirty cents in stamps to "Mystic Language Publisher," Detroit, Mich., for the "Mystic Language" book.

The ubiquitous correspondent of the JOURNAL knows of some persons who, after having ordered for the same, were disappointed. The "Mystic Language" is simply a finger alphabet, which they can talk aloud. But we believe the publisher to be honest in his business, as is shown by his letter to a hearing person who complained he had not received the "book."

DETROIT, MICH., April 14, 1883.

"DEAR SIR:—We did not receive your order. The letter must have been lost in the mail, but we would not wish you to feel that we could have wronged you, and to prove it we enclose 30 cents to reimburse you for the loss."

"Yours very truly,"
"Mystic Language Publisher,"
J. N. WILLIAMS.

We understand that the under signed is a deaf-mute; a graduate of the Ohio Institution.

LOUISIANA INSTITUTION.

The Board of Trustees, of the Institution for the education of the Deaf and Dumb, held their monthly meeting on Monday evening, at half-past three o'clock.

Thirty-two pupils are attending this session at the Deaf and Dumb Institute.

Vacation at this Institute will commence in the early part of June.

The financial showing of the Board of Trustees is very good. With the warrants in hand, they will be able to realize enough cash to very nearly, if not completely, wipe out the debt of the Institution up to the first of the present month. The probability is, that the Board will be able to show a clean bill of health by January 1st, and this is the first time, within the recollection of the oldest inhabitant, that this Institution has come so near making both ends meet, as the present time.

A resolution was adopted thanking Mr. Isidore Newman, of New Orleans, for his generous donation of type to replenish the stock in the printing office of the Institution; and Prof. Ferguson was requested by the Board to transmit to Mr. Newman a copy thereof.

This being the first regular meeting of the Board which has been held since the death of Mr. Joseph Larquier, a committee of two was appointed to draw up suitable resolutions expressing the regrets of this Board at the loss by death of their esteemed friend and fellow member.

The scholars at this Institute have progressed well with their studies, and their general health has been very good.—Baton Rouge (La.) Capitalian Advocate.

Columbia Institution.

Two new cottages are being erected near the residence of Mr. Denison. They are to be the residences of Professors Draper and Ballard. They are being built under the direction of Mr. Bryant, and Mr. Austin, from New Haven, Conn.

Last Thursday, among our visitors were several members of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Baltimore, who were visiting the Washington Young Men's Christian Association. Two of them were guests of Mr. Wright (our Supervisor), and by his request one of them, Mr. Elliott, gave the boys an exhibition of his skill at jumping, vaulting, etc.

The game of base ball that was appointed for Thursday, did not take place, on account of the Treasury nine failing to appear, much to the disappointment of our boys.

Friday, there was a game of base ball between the Eagles, of which club F. G. Wurdeman is captain, and the Brentwoods, of which Frank Leitner acted as captain. The game resulted in favor of the Brentwoods, the score being 12 to 8.

Walter, Mr. Ballard's little boy, has been quite ill. He is now much better.

Mr. Wright, our supervisor, is confined to his room by what is thought to be a chill, caused by the damp weather we are now having.

Miss Cressie Denson, one of the young lady pupils here, has lately been troubled with an affection of the eyes, so she has been compelled to wear glasses. We hope it is nothing serious.

On Saturday, Hyde and Bell went to witness the game of base ball at the Episcopal High School, near Alexandria, Va., between the Howards of that school, and a "scrub" nine of the Kendalls, of the College. The game resulted in favor of the Howards.

One of those who went from here carried his straw hat, and made the boys of the High School smile. They probably thought he was "forcing the season."

Several of our boys and girls who live near Washington, spend their Saturdays at home.

Prof. Ballard conducted the chapel services yesterday (Sunday) afternoon.

Mr. Timothy Hyde is getting to be quite a good barber. It is a good trade for a deaf-mute.

Mr. V. Collins, a pupil here last year, is in the furniture business at Tipton, Ind.

Mr. Wm. A. Miles, also a former pupil, is in business in Philadelphia. Mr. F. M. Adams is the most enthusiastic admirer of base ball that there is here.

The Advanced Class is preparing for its next examination.

The Articulation Class numbers thirty-three. The last examination showed a great improvement. Visitors like to see the manner in which lip reading and articulation are taught.

Mr. A. D. Bryant is at work upon a life size portrait, for a gentleman of the City.

Last week, Douglass Craig, the assistant gardener and mail carrier, captured four 'possums.

BOSTON NOTES.

The deaf-mutes of Boston and vicinity will be pleased to learn that Job Williams, Principal of the American Asylum, Hartford, Conn., will officiate at the hall, 18 Essex Street, Boston, Mass., Sunday, 29th, at 10:30 A.M. and 2 P.M.

Prof. W. H. Weeks, whose services last February were so very acceptable, has been again engaged for every Sunday in May. It is hoped, as the weather has now become settled, that all mutes in that vicinity may be able to avail themselves of many or all of these services.

4-21-83.

EMPIRE STATE ASSOCIATION.

As the National Convention of Deaf-Mutes will be held in New York City in August of the present year, the Board of Officers of the Empire State Deaf Mute Association has decided, by an unanimous vote, to postpone their Reunion until the year 1885.

E. A. HODGSON, Secretary.
H. C. RIDER, President.

TURTLE CREEK ITEMS.

We are having beautiful, delightful and balmy weather now, and the farmer is plowing in the field, and planting seeds.

A few days ago, one of our semi-mute boys, "Our Jolly George," we all call him, entered the school room, disseminating a disagreeable smell of onions. He had been planting them, and we suspect he had ate some on the way.

The boys and girls scamper to the woods these balmy afternoons as fast as their feet can carry them. There is a beautiful ravine back of the Institution, and though the trees are not yet clothed in green, the hill sides are covered with lovely wild flowers. The pupils like to gather them and bring home bunches home with them every day.

The favorite amusement now with the girls is dancing the "raguet" and playing croquet. Base ball is the rage with the boys.

Dr. MacIntire kindly bought us two sets of croquet—one for the boys and one for the girls. He also purchased two sets of grace hoops, also balls and bats for the boys. We already love the Doctor as a father. We think very much of his wife also. She is a very kind and pleasant lady.

We were sorry to part with one of our smallest and brightest girls last week. Her father has moved to Ohio, and she will attend school at Columbus. We hope to meet our little Annie again some time.

Miss Brown, our second assistant matron, went home last month to assume her pleasant duties. Her successor is Miss Johnson. We all miss Miss Brown, and wish her success in her new field of duty.

Mr. Teegarden's birthday occurred a few weeks ago, and a very large and handsome birthday card was presented to him by his pupils. Many of the other pupils gave him smaller but nice cards, to the number of one hundred. He is now making a large scrap book of them.

Alice Winch, one of the Institution belles, asked the other day: "Has God any eyes?" How could God see every where, if he hadn't eyes.

C. J. M.

The Proposed Catholic Society in Philadelphia.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—It may be remembered that some time ago the Catholic mutes of Philadelphia contemplated establishing a Society here, such as the Catholic Literary Union, of New York City. They appointed a delegation to await on Father Brennan, one of the pastors of the Cathedral, who is learning the sign language. In consequence of his inability to attend to the matter then (he being sick), it was postponed until further notice. After his return from the sea shore, where he has been for the benefit of his health, he invited the appointed Committee, consisting of Col. James E. Morony, Timothy McCarthy and Thomas Breen, to come and see him to consider what should be done. They were all present last Friday evening, except Thomas Breen, who was unable to attend on account of more urgent business. As far as the writer understands from the interview, Rev. Father Brennan spoke very encouragingly of it, and seems to take a lively interest in its organization. The very Rev. Archbishop Wood looks with much interest for its success, and I have no doubt, but he will do his utmost for its promotion. Father Brennan is hopeful that he will get a room for the society in the vicinity of St. John's Church, 13th and Chestnut Streets, it being the central location of the city as well as in the vicinity of other mute societies, such as the Clero Literary Association, three blocks below St. John's Church, and two blocks to the Chirollogical Lyceum above St. John's Church.

The promoters mean business this time, I have no doubt but that the matter will be pushed right through without delay. As soon as they have a suitable place they intend organizing immediately. It is to be hoped that we shall soon have more Rev. gentlemen, such as Fathers Brennan, McGovern and Trainer, to secure a knowledge of the sign language and mingle with the mutes, in case our exertions will prove successful. They expect to have Sunday School for mutes, when the society will be in running order. Let us put our shoulders to the wheel, and keep it in motion, no matter how fast or slow.

WE ARE ANXIOUS TO KNOW.

Who will be the first President of the Catholic Society?

If Mr. J. E. Morony privately will exert himself much to get elected president?

How many members will join the first time?

If the members, of Chirollogical Lyceum Association are willing to give us a helping hand?

If the members intend to select, and send a delegate to the National Deaf-Mute Convention in case of the society being organized?

VARIOUS ITEMS.

Matters in reference to the National Reunion, to be held here in July next, are progressing rapidly. The utmost energy is being displayed by the several committees. The decorations on the occasion of this reunion will be especially attractive and elaborate, far exceeding the reunion of 1889. The special attractions announced for the fair grounds have the effect of making an unusual

That bill providing for the erection of another story upon the State House

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April 15. '83.

(From our Regular Correspondent)

have its pic-nic, as its members be-
experienced caterers at amusing de-

PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

and do their honored principal's
teacher credit. VIOLET

"I WANT TO BE HOME WHEN I DIE."

DEAR SR :—Inclosed find a note from George Enos, inviting me to call at his room, and also his written statement of the case, ready to hand me when I get there. His answers were

helped into the sleeping car, I do not know or exactly where, I was robbed of my pocket-book which had in it my ticket, my baggage check

FLINT NEWS.

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FANWOOD.

A visit to Barnum's.

BASE BALL, VISITORS AND A DEBATE.

(From our New York Correspondent.)

Matron Henry and Misses Mcitz and Ensign attended a concert given by the Meigs sisters at Steinway Hall, Tuesday evening of last week.

Mr. H. C. Rider, ex-editor of the JOURNAL, made the Institution a brief visit Thursday last.

Thomas Halloran, Leing out of work, called Friday.

Mrs. Cook resumed her duties, after being on the sick list several weeks, Friday last.

Both divisions of the High Class are taught as one class now. This is owing to the resignation of Prof. Jenkins, which goes into effect May 1st. It has not yet been decided who will succeed him as instructor.

Thursday last, both divisions of the High Class, Prof. Jenkins and daughter, Miss Prudence Lewis and Bessie Peet, daughter of the Principal, visited Barnum's Circus. Jumbo and the baby elephant enraptured the fair ones, while the somersaults over the elephants' backs and the Elliot Children's performance elicited applause from the boys. Owing to the crowded condition of the building, the pupils were obliged to take rather poor seats, but all report a most enjoyable time. Elmer E. Smith did not go, but instead had a free glimpse of the menagerie in Central Park. He reports many additions, and says the place is more attractive than ever before.

The drawing pupils chuckled with delight as they saw Miss C. V. Hagan, formerly to impart instruction. Friday morning last.

George Peet and a cadet from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., went through the Institution on the 20th inst.

Prof. Jenkins delivered his closing sermon Sunday morning last. Near the close, he gave a few reminiscences of his connection with the Institution, and alluded to the prosperity, etc., which had attended the majority of his pupils. Some were teachers in different institutions; some foremen of trades' departments; other supervisors, farmers, mechanics, etc., and nearly all were prospering. He felt that his labor at the Institution had not been in vain, and left the scene of so many years' labors with regret.

Charles W. Stowell, one of our Supervisors, while in the city Saturday last, made several attempts to pass the barly watchman guarding the approach to the Brooklyn Bridge, but without avail. A pass was necessary.

It is said our new supervisor, Mr. Thimble, is master of three languages, and was a Professor in a German University.

Little Fred W. Bars greeted us on the afternoon of Saturday last with the shout: "I've been to Barnum's." His face was brimming over with happiness and self-satisfaction.

Miss Jane T. Meigs has been connected with the Institution as teacher for thirty-three years.

Moses Heyman dropped into the printing office Saturday last.

Miss Trout, owing to indisposition, has been unable to attend to her duties in the culinary department for a few days past.

The subject of debate before the Literary Association Saturday evening last was: "Does a College, as a rule, benefit an intelligent mite more in the way of getting remuneration employment than an Industrial School?" The affirmative was supported by H. C. Valentine and J. R. Baker; the negative, by S. A. Berry and Henry Besserman. Anthony Capelli volunteered for the affirmative, and William Ennis for the negative. The negative side won 102, and the affirmative 7 votes.

The rate on Sunday could not keep Mr. Jacques from visiting his friends here. He remained all the afternoon and late into the evening, and the chat in the parlor with a lady friend was apparently appreciated.

Saturday last, the Nonpareil Base Ball Club played a friendly game with the Pastime Club of Manhattan College on the Jasper grounds. During the first few innings of the game, owing to the poor playing of a few of the mites, the Pastimes had it all their own way. But seeing how things were going, and as a last resort, the positions of the mites were reversed, and after a gallant struggle, characterized by brilliant playing on the part of Messrs. Newton, J. B. Lloyd, Jamieson and Durian, the mites were victorious by a score of 20 to 15.

Other matches will take place ere long.

A couple of officers witnessed the neat manner in which the New York Base Ball Club beat the Yale nine on the Polo grounds Saturday afternoon last. It was a trifle more exciting than the game of the mites mentioned above.

Mr. A. L. Thomas lectured before the Peet Literary Society Friday evening last. His subject was "The Tempest," from Shakespeare.

Alex. L. Pach has returned from Elston, Pa., as he says, his uncle

could not spare him from the Broadway establishment. Alex. was here Monday evening, and had a finger conversation with a young lady teacher.

Prof. Jenkins has presented the Peet Literary Society with a number of magazines. The gift is appreciated. Cmp.

From Thomas Brown.

DEAR EDITOR:—For past months, I have read in your favored JOURNAL with feelings of joy and bitterness, what have been written by some mites with an expression of their own different opinions as to a coming National Mute Convention. It would seem to have been wise and gentleman-like to wait for a timely decision of the venerable chairman, Mr. Booth, a business veteran. I heard from Mr. Booth, saying he is going to give notice in May.

Long experience convinces me that to assemble a national convention on the last Saturday of August would seem to be a desirable and beneficial for us from distant parts of the country to attend a religious service on Sunday and Monday, and business one or two days, and other days sufficient to look round, to enjoy a trip, sail, etc., about two weeks before general vacation closes.

It would appear to be unjust to send a delegate at the pay of his society, while individual guests pay their own expenses. No delegates need be sent. When they meet, they can select for permanent officers. I think this way would be just to all. What I oppose is injustice and partiality.

The chairman has a right to appoint an intelligent mute local committee in New York City, with authority to invite two energetic mutes to aid him to prepare arrangements, to engage a hall, and to invite a fair mute in Boston as a local committee to arrange with Railroads to reduce fares in the Middle Western and Southern States.

I say that the whole matter with the National Convention should be left to the deaf-mutes, except invited interpreters, and the invitation be extended to hearing teachers to attend and make addresses.

In my opinion, it would be best to charge a reasonable sum for board, and have the National Convention meet at the spacious New York Institution for Deaf and Dumb, free from heat, time and city temptations, if the Directors feel willing. That Institution can hold more than 500 guests. The place in Washington Heights is very pleasant and cool in the hot season. Should health and age admit, it would be a pleasure to me to be a personal guest at such a National Mute Convention before I am too old. What I write is a desire for the success of said Convention.

THOMAS BROWN,
WEST HENRIK, N. H.

NASHUA ITEMS.

The 25th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Vannum B. Wright was celebrated last September by about fifteen deaf-mutes and other friends, being a perfect surprise. They were the recipients of a few handsome presents, among which was a costly silver butter dish and a silver pickle dish, when the deaf-mutes reached the Wrights' home. Mr. Wright was out in the town, and when he came home and found them, he was surprised.

Edgar R. Gay made a short speech. Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Wright responded with many thanks. We hope they may enjoy many returns of the event.

Mr. Corning, of Manchester, N. H., came to Nashua and called on Mr. Wright last March, and stayed there three or four days. He had a real good time.

Mr. Francis Darpres, of Fall River, Mass., paid a flying visit to his friends in Nashua, and called on some deaf-mutes. He was going to Lowell to try to get a new job.

Mr. Elton R. Gay is thinking of going on a grand fishing excursion to Amherst, N. H., with Frank Damon, some time in May. We hope he will have a jumbo time.

Mr. Vannum B. Wright will go to Lowell some time in May, to preach, and to visit his friends.

HOW SHE NASHED HIM.

A young woman riding in a Boston horse-car had endured for ten minutes the fixed gaze of an impatient lady, when a simple way of getting the better of him occurred to her. Assuming an expression of horror, which gradually relaxed into amusement, she looked steadfastly at a point on his coat collar just below his ear, and then with a quiet smile turned her eyes away. Never was the complacency of a young fool more completely disturbed. He fled from his seat, went through dreadful contortions and almost rolled his eyes out of their sockets in the effort to extend his range of vision to the point below his ear; brushed softly, then eagerly, then frantically, the suspected spot, and at last, in an agony of apprehension, rushed out of the car and into an adjacent bar-room in search of a mirror.

When fate has allowed to any man more than one great gift, accident or necessity seems usually to combine that one shall encumber and impede the other.

Dr. Gallaudet's Lecture in Boston.

SUBJECT:—PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS.

On the 14th inst., Rev. Dr. Gallaudet was invited to deliver a lecture before the Boston Society, upon the occasion of his pastoral visit to this city. There was quite a large audience present, numbering eighty-two in all, by actual count. There never was a more attentive audience than the one which listened to the doctor. He began with the remark that the invitation had quite taken him unawares, and as he had no time to make up an original lecture, he thought he could do no better than to give a few personal recollections. As the result proved, these few leaves from his memory, replete with quiet humor and interesting glimpses of a generation gone by, were the best lecture he could have given the Society. Beginning with the story of his childhood, he gave a personal description of his father and mother, then of other persons who were teachers and co-laborers in deaf-mute education. The doctor said that while Dr. Gallaudet, his father, had been teaching Sophia Fowler, one of his first pupils, her A. B. C. was, on her first paper, had been teaching him lessons in love—they were quite a Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet was naturally a genial, whole-souled man, kindly and generous in spirit, or he would not have been the man to undertake what he did in behalf of the deaf-mutes of America, but he had what is known as a vein of melancholy, and on such occasions he rarely spoke, and the other members of his family generally knew when he had the "blues," and they let nature take its course. Alice Cogswell, who was the first to awaken the first Gallaudet's interest in deaf-mutes, often came over to have a chat with Mrs. Gallaudet. She had a sweet expression of countenance and gentle manners, and was always dressed in becoming taste. Among the early pioneers in deaf-mute education, Dr. Harvey Prindle Peet who had a passion for horses, Prof. Rockwell, Bartlett, Bradwood, and others whose names inscribed upon the long roll of our memory by gratitude are so dear to us, each came in for a share of personal description.

The doctor related one practical joke, which was played upon him by one of the larger pupils. While playing in the institution shop, the pupils mentioned above indeed him by "false representations" to taste of the melting glue in the pot, and after it was done, he frightened the embryo doctor by telling him that his end was coming near, that the thing he had just tasted was poisonous. Of course, Thomas Gallaudet was very sober about it. He went home, and hid himself in a room, waiting for the end which never came, thinking meanwhile over all the little sins of which he had been guilty, and never until then did the catalogue of his peccadilloes seem so very long. He was very sorry, ever so much sorry for all his sins, but, as he remarked with a smile, he has been still waiting for the end of his life.

His entry into Trinity College proved the turning point in his life. He was then converted to the Episcopal faith, though his family religion was based upon the Congregational faith. After graduating from college, he taught school a few miles from home, but left it to enter the New York Institution. Previous to this, he had made a vow never, no, never to take a deaf-mute woman as his wife, and had, always been indignant at any suggestion on the subject, but, alas!

"Beauty draws us by a single hair."

When he met Miss Baid, he saw and was conquered by her statuesque beauty. Previous to this, he had applied to enter holy orders, but during the blissful moments of honeymoon, or else the new cars brought on by his marriage, he had postponed the ceremony, until one day, a gentleman well-known in religious circles, tapped him on the shoulder, and said: "Your name has been mentioned as one of the candidates for the holy orders. Why haven't you come to be examined?" Dr. Gallaudet replied that, although he had the idea of being a minister, he had no opportunity of carrying it out. The gentleman then said, familiarly: "Now, Gallaudet, you go right home, take up your books and begin to study right away." The advice was acted upon. The doctor gave us a lively picture of his studying under difficulties. He was obliged to sit up nights in order to study, and with his feet rocking the cradle, his attention was often distracted from the books by the cry of the infant he was trying to soothe, while his wife was in bed.

On his wedding day, he and his bride called upon Dr. Howe, with a letter from his father. The great philanthropist, invited them to the Institute for the Blind at South Boston, and there they met Laura Bridgman, who took Mrs. Gallaudet aside, and asked: "How do you like your new husband?" Soon after his ordination, he formed the project of opening a church for both the hearing and the deaf-mutes, a project which was condemned as impracticable by other clergymen, but as the family trait is amiable obstinacy, Dr. Gallaudet carried out his wish, and is in a fair way to realize it. He has a large and respectable congregation of hearing people in St. Ann's Church, whether the deaf are also wont to congregate.

At the close of the lecture, which was applauded, Dr. Gallaudet was presented with a slight pecuniary testimonial from the members in attendance, as a small return for his kindness in giving them a lecture.

Horseshoe.

A Clear Case.

Auburn hair inclined to curl,
Honest eyes and winning smile,
Form to suit the winning smile,
Lips that might a saint beguile—
That's the girl.

Taller than the tallest,
Tritful, fearless, kind, strong,
Heart of gold, without alloy,
Hailing as a twin right and wrong—
That's the boy.

Window panes frostbitten with rime,
Leafless trees and hillside bare,
Town clock sounding midnight chime,
Street lamp glimmering here and there—
That's the time.

Nestling at the mountain's base,
With its one lone, quiet street,
Clad in winter's white and neat,
Quaint old village, plain and neat—
That's the place.

Trunk and bag and baggage,
Tender voice in willing ear,
Kisses on an aching head,
Whispered "Yes, I love you, dear"—
That's the case.

—H. A. F., in New York Sun.

NEW YORK.

MUSINGS BY OUR "MAN ABOUT TOWN."

It is getting to be quite the "proper" paper for every paper to have its "man about town." The JOURNAL of course, not to be outdone, is honored (?) by a similar correspondent.

The election of Prof. Jenkins to be Principal of the New Jersey Institution, speaks well for the wisdom of the Directors. Prof. Jenkins has our heartiest wishes for his future welfare in his new position.

"Cyri Cadwallader's" article in the last JOURNAL speaks for itself. All deaf-mutes should read it thoroughly and profit by it. By the way, "Cyri's" articles are always interesting, whether they are of historic interest or common sense advice.

Mr. Lawrence, though he may be an excellent committee-man of the National Convention, shows by his letter in the last JOURNAL that his knowledge of New York City is limited to a very small extent. The idea of having the convention meet near the bridge, for the mere sake of seeing it, is ridiculous, any and all of the points of interest in the city are easy of access, and not more than an hour need be expended in going from any one point to another, by our rapid transit lines.

Here is a point for the Manhattan Literary Association—given gratuitously that they may profit by it. Why not have their annual excursion in June, say before the various institutions close, so as to give those who spend the vacation at home, a chance to attend. This will add perhaps three hundred to their usual number, and the treasurer will be correspondingly happy.

President Wilkinson lectured before quite a large audience on "Alexander the Great." Mr. Wilkinson uses signs with dramatic effect, and together with a thorough knowledge of his subject, made it one of the most pleasant of the season. After he finished, Mr. Charles O'Brien, who, by the way, should be dubbed the "Mico" of deaf-mutes, gave two of his irresistibly funny stories, and one or two other similarly favored the audience, when they departed.

Mr. Alfred Emmons, the Brooklyn artist, has lately executed some very fine effects. He is a fine artist and an ornament to the deaf-mute world. He painted the "man about town" with a visit Saturday last, looking neat, and without any of those eccentricities peculiar to artists, such as long hair, etc., etc.

"Truth is stranger than Fiction."

This proverbial phrase forcibly struck me when the following incident was related to me. It appears that a young lady in New Jersey, saw a notice in a magazine, asking for a correspondent in the East, from a young lady in the West. The New Jersey lady, Mrs. E. M. Brown (her Miss Reid) answered it, and then quite an intimate friendship "struck up." Photographs were exchanged, and after two years, Miss Reid thought she had better inform Miss Flora Gage (the lady in the West) that she (Miss Reid) was deaf. Imagine her surprise when Miss Gage replied that she, too, was deaf. This cemented the friendship firmer than ever, and, though now one is married and has two children, she will always remember her "school-girl romance," which so aptly illustrates how "Truth is stranger than Fiction." More anon.

Yours truly,

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN.

CITY HALL, April 23, '83.

The Cause of a Boy's Headache.

Among the strange things that happen to children sometimes, very few equal the case of a little boy in Rosenhay, Cumberland County, N. J., who was taken with a violent headache and catarrh about two years ago, and all the medical treatment he received did not relieve him. He complained of feeling something in his head all the time. About a week ago his mother began to investigate the trouble herself. Taking a knitting needle for a probe she went at him like a skillful surgeon, and probed his nostril until she found and drew out a piece of India rubber ball two inches broad and one and a half inches wide, which the boy now remembers he was chewing about two years ago, and it disappeared very suddenly, having worked up into his head some way.

Be loving and you will never want for love; be humble and you will never want for guiding.

Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes.

DIOCESE OF CENTRAL NEW YORK.

The work which is being carried on under the above heading, is not as well known and understood as its claims give it a right to expect.

To set before Churchmen, clerical and lay, the special objects it has in view, as well as the means employed to carry out these objects, is the purpose of this circular. The objects, though few, are important:—

First. To minister in spiritual things through the medium of the sign language, to the adult deaf-mutes in Central and Western New York.

Second. To assist in obtaining employment for those requiring such assistance, and to provide the services of an interpreter where necessary.

Third. To put rectors of parishes in communication with deaf-mutes and their relatives, thus directly helping on aggressive parochial work.

Fourth. To assist the clergy, by way of interpretation, in preparing deaf-mutes for Holy Baptism and confirmation.

Fifth. To afford deaf-mutes special services in the sign language as opportunity offers.

This work, as a branch of Diocesan missionary labor, was begun a year ago under appointment by the Bishop of Central New York.

Since then the missionary has held twenty services and made addresses in the interests of the mission in Syracuse, Rome, Utica, Watertown, Manlius and Binghamton, in the Diocese of Central New York; in Geneva, Rochester and Buffalo, in the Diocese of Western New York; and in Albany.

This work is in entire harmony with that prosecuted in other parts of the country by the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, D.D., of New York, and his co-laborers.

The attendance of so many deaf-mutes at the services is the best proof of the value they place upon them, and the fact that they would be "as sheep having no shepherd" without the help of these special services, is reason enough why the mission should be sustained.

The deaf-mute population of the United States, according to the last census, is about 33,000, of which number about 400 adults annually come within the scope of the operations of this mission.

The missionary, though holding himself in readiness to conduct services, or act as interpreter, on the invitation of rectors, receives no stated salary for these labors, but is wholly dependent upon the offerings of parishes and individuals for means to defray traveling and other expenses incidental to the work, and has thus far been obliged to pass by many places where his services were needed for lack of means to supply them.

A fitting opportunity for an annual offering from parishes presents itself on the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, when the Gospel for the day relates the story of the healing of the deaf-mute.

Offerings for the support of the work are asked, and may be sent to GEO. J. GARDNER, Treasurer, Syracuse, N. Y., or to the undersigned.

THOMAS B. BERRY.

Missionary to Deaf-Mutes.

The Rectory, Trumansburg, May 1, 1883.

The above has my cordial approval.

F. D. HUNTINGTON.

Bishop of Central New York.

A. CLEVELAND COXE.

Bishop of Western New York.

The undersigned most cordially approves of the efforts of the Rev. Thomas B. Berry to extend church work among deaf-mutes in the Diocese of Central New York and Western New York.

THOMAS GALLAUDET.

General Manager of "The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes."

GEN THOUGHTS.

Every man's virtue is best seen in adversity and temptation.

Good style is good sense; good health, good energy and good will.

"The Bible has no word of comfort for those who want to get to heaven without knowing it; who want to take a sleeping car and quietly tuck their conscience away to rest until they pass within the golden gate of heaven."

"There are some people who are constantly denoting the tempers of others with their sharp pick-a-fault-finding disposition. The probability of their maturing is such that they ever worry all who come in contact with them."

"It requires a certain capacity for good in yourself to appreciate the good in others; and the converse is unimply true also, for if you constantly see the bad in others you may safely conclude that you are not exactly what you ought to be yourself."

If you want to succeed in the world, you must make your own opportunities as you go on. The man who waits for some seventh wave to toss him on to dry land, will find the seventh wave is a long time coming. You can commit no greater folly than to sit by the roadside until someone comes along and invites you to ride with him to wealth or influence.—John D. Gough.

The holy life does not consist in, and is not maintained by, spasmodic and periodic acts of devotion; rather it is like the altar fire of which, it was spoken, "The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out." So on the altar of the purification of heart there ever burns the fire of devotion, from which there continually rise the tokens of sacrifice, acceptable and pleasing to God.

REV. MR. MANN'S APPOINTMENTS.

Cincinnati, 7:30 P.M.,	April 29
7:30 P.M., Combined	29
service (Probable),	29
Columbus, 7:30 P.M.,	30
10:30 A.M.,	May 6
3:00 P.M.,	6
7:30 P.M., Confirmation,	6
East Saginaw, 7:30 P.M.,	7
Grand Rapids, 7:30 P.M.,	8
Jackson, 7:30 P.M.,	9
Albion, 7:30 P.M.,	10
Indianapolis, 9:00 A.M.,	13
2:30 P.M.,	13
4:00 P.M.,	13
Gambier, 7:30 P.M., (Probable),	16
St. Louis, 10:30 A.M.,	20
3:00 P.M.,	20
7:30 P.M., Combined	20
service (Probable),	20
Decatur, 7:30 P.M.,	21
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Insure in a Safe Association.

The undersigned Secretary, Treasurer and General Agent of and for the Deaf-Mutes' Mutual Benefit Association of Mexico, N. Y., begs permission to present a few ideas, which he hopes every reader of the JOURNAL will consider with candid consideration.

Question 1. Is life insurance an object?

Answer. Every sensible man and woman will readily concede that it is.

Q. 2. With what shall I insure?

A. It is not only possible, but a self-evident fact, well qualified and fully established.

Q. 3. Is it possible, in the days of human degeneracy and frauds that such an institution can be founded?

A. It is not only possible, but a self-evident fact, well qualified and fully established.

Q. 4. Wonder of wonders! Are we living in an age of miracles?

A. Not necessarily. It simply points to the solid truth that the world is full of sin, greed and fraud are preponderant sins which marshall their mighty hosts on the plains of life, there is stillness and peace in humanity a tincture of inherent goodness, and a desire to benefit others.

Q. 5. This is strange! Can you give me a case of such extreme self-disinterestedness, looking for the best interests of humanity?

A. We can; and we are prepared to vouch for it.

Q. 6. Will you give me the name of this exceptional example of innate goodness?

A. It is found within the precincts of the Deaf-Mutes' Mutual Benefit Association.

Q. 7. Will you please present for our benefit an abstract statement of the object of the above mentioned institution, together with its professed advantages?

A. With the most exquisite pleasure, the Deaf-Mutes' Mutual Benefit Association was incorporated in conformity with the insurance laws of the State of New York during the winter of 1883-3, having its articles of incorporation filed in the offices of the Secretary of State and the County Clerk of Onondaga County.

The objects of the Association are threefold, viz.: 1. To insure the lives of the deaf, and the deaf and dumb, most of whom are unable to insure with other companies or associations. 2. To insure not only those two classes of people, but hearing people also. 3. Last, but by no means least, to provide for the future necessities of the wives, widows, orphans, or other friends of all who procure policies from the Association.

Not only mutes are admitted, but the door of admittance to our Association also stands ajar for the benefit of hearing people. This Association makes no exceptions in favor of either of the sexes. After a proper medical examination is passed in favor of the applicant, a favorable certificate from the examining physicians entitles the applicant, by payment of the initiatory fee of \$5.00, and an annual assessment in proportion to his or her age, to a certificate of membership in the Association. The advance assessments are made in order to provide for the first death-loss which may occur; and to provide the treasury with ready funds with which to defray the expenses of death-losses, immediately upon the death of a member, each member of the Association will be assessed as provided for in the by-laws.

Unlike other assessment associations which collect quarterly dues from each of their members of from \$1 to \$150; \$20.00, \$25.00, or \$50.00, added to from \$5.00 to \$10.00 initiatory fees, the Deaf-Mutes' Mutual Benefit Association requires only a \$5.00 initiatory fee, and no other dues save in case of death of a member, provided for by the by-laws, except in rare cases, and in case of our annual dues of \$1.00. The reason why our assessments are so low; is because we have no high-salved officers to support themselves from the treasury, at the expense of the members. The only paid officer of the Association is the Secretary, treasurer, and he is only paid for his salary and labor actually spent and rendered.

Associations which do not, like ours, require annual dues, collect much higher assessment rates, aggregating to their members much greater total expenses than ours; their assessments ranging from \$1.00 to \$4.00 or more per member, whereas our assessments, as per schedule, are but from \$0.50 to \$2.50. No life association can be found in America worked upon a better plan, or at so small expense to members as ours.

When you attain to membership of 25, which we soon shall if every available deaf and hearing man and woman will be members, we shall pay each and every death-loss the full amount of \$3,000. Until that time arrives we shall pay death-losses immediately upon proper proof of the death of a member, the amount of once the full rate of assessment upon each member of the Association.

The difference in cost in favor of our Association, compared with the old-line companies, in a few years, amounts to a sum which will enable many a man or woman to pursue their adopted occupation without the fears and realities of poverty unequal to the payment of their debts, the failure of mortgages, bankruptcies and subject to poverty—perhaps ending with a miserable life and death.

We need not multiply words farther. Sufficient has been said already to convince the most skeptical that our Association presents more advantageous and generous terms for members than any other heretofore proposed in existence, and no man or woman who sincerely regards the interests of their children or other dear friends, can but admit that it is well to be insured.

This Association admits members between the ages of 20 and 55 years, who reside in any portion of the United States lying north of the 36th parallel of latitude.